

State of Nebraska
Nebraska Commission on the Status of Women
October 18, 2006 Quarterly Meeting Minutes
The Ferguson Center, 700 S. 16th St. Lincoln, NE 68509

Ms. Irene Duncan, Chair

Ms. Lisa Good, Executive Director

Commissioners Present

Susan Aguilar, Grand Island
Jeanne Butler, Kearney
Irene Duncan, York
Bernadette Esposito, Omaha
Jennifer Gutierrez, Lincoln
Anne Hobbs, Denton
Jolanda Junge-Kuzma, Lincoln
Teresa Maxwell, Omaha
Barbara McPhillips, Columbus
Barbara Micek, Fullerton
***John Nejad**, Omaha, by phone
Betty Reeg, Wayne
***Rita Sanders**, Bellevue, by phone
Vicky Wright, Omaha

Commissioners Absent

Judith Beechler, Chadron
Mary Heusman, Eddyville
Diane Longo, Kearney
Megan Lucas, Bellevue
Kandy Pflaster, Cozad
Jamie Snyder, Columbus
Cathy Williams, Bellevue

Government Liaisons Present

Liz Hruska, Legislative Council
William Scheideler, Budget Div.
Kathleen Dolezal, Policy Research

General Public

Kathy McKillip, Lincoln

Commission Staff

Lisa Good, Executive Director
Rebecca Nelms, Administrative Assistant

The quarterly meeting of the Nebraska Commission on the Status of Women was called order by Chair Irene Duncan at 9:05 a.m. CST.

Motion #1 **A motion was made by Commissioner Hobbs that would eliminate the Executive Committee from the by-laws. The motion was seconded by Kathy McKillip.**

Amendment **An amendment was offered by Commissioner Junge-Kuzma to replace the Executive Committee with the Executive Board, which would consist of the Executive officers, the Chair from each Committee, and the Past Chair. The amendment was seconded by Kathy McKillip.**

For: Aguilar, Butler, Duncan, Esposito, Gutierrez, Hobbs, Junge-Kuzma, Maxwell, McKillip, McPhillips, Micek, Reeg, Wright

Opposed: None

Abstain: None

Motion carried.

Motion #2 A motion was made by Commissioner Junge-Kuzma that Commissioners are required to attend a minimum of three quarterly meetings a year. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reeg.

Amendment An amendment was offered by Commissioner Gutierrez that would require the meetings to be scheduled a year in advance.

Clarification of amendment presented by Chair Duncan: “motion require attendance of 3 out of 4 quarterly meetings that have been scheduled a year in advance, waiving the attendance requirement when the meeting time or place changes, effective January 1, 2008.

For: Aguilar, Butler, Duncan, Esposito, Gutierrez, Hobbs, Junge-Kuzma, Maxwell, McKillip, McPhillips, Micek, Reeg, Wright

Against: None

Abstain: None

Motion carried.

Commissioner Nejad presented by phone, the Financial Report for Year to Date as of 9/30/06 with questions regarding specific expenditures. Commissioner Wright handed out the Treasurer’s Report.

Motion #3 A motion was made by Commissioner Hobbs that any expense over \$500 be authorized by a majority of the Commission. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Aguilar.

Amendment An amendment was offered by Commissioner Hobbs that any expense to exceed \$500 be discussed and presented to the Executive Board prior to authorization. The amendment was seconded by Commissioner Aguilar.

For: Aguilar, Butler, Duncan, Esposito, Gutierrez, Hobbs, Junge-Kuzma, Maxwell, McKillip, McPhillips, Micek, Reeg, Wright

Against: None

Abstain: None

Motion carried.

Motion #4 A motion was made by Commissioner Junge-Kuzma that the Commission accept Anne Hobbs as the interim Vice Chair. Commissioner Wright seconded the motion.

For: Aguilar, Butler, Duncan, Esposito, Gutierrez, Hobbs, Junge-Kuzma, Maxwell, McPhillips, Micek, Reeg, Wright

Against: None

Abstain: Kathy McKillip

Motion carried.

**THE COMMISSION ADJOURNED FOR LUNCH AT 12:00 P.M. AND
RECONVENED AT 12:45 P.M.**

COMMITTEE REPORTS BY:

Chair Bernadette Esposito—Home and Community Committee

Chair Jeanne Butler in conjunction with Member Teresa Maxwell – Education and
Counseling

Chair Anne Hobbs – Employment and Income Security Committee

Kathy McKillip – Finance Committee

Chair Jolanda Junge-Kuzma – Women Under the Law

Member Barb Micek – Communications and Public Relations Committee

**Deb Holst of Women Work! presented video and data on the federal poverty level
for a family of four. Distributed Chutes and Ladders flier.**

**The Quarterly meeting of the Nebraska Commission on the Status of Women was
adjourned at 2:16 p.m.**

Attachments:

Budget Handout – William Scheideler

Financial Report Handout – John Nejad

Director's Report Handout – Lisa Good

Staff Report Handout – Rebecca Nelms

Chutes & Ladders Report – Deb Holst, President of Women Work! and guest